

**REMARKS**


Claims 1, 3 – 15, 17 – 25, and 27 – 44 are presently pending. In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner objected to Claim 44 and rejected Claims 11 – 13, 22, 23, 30 and 31 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 1, 3 – 10, 14, 15, 17 – 21, 24, 25, 27 – 29, and 33 – 43 were allowed.

The indication of allowable subject matter is gratefully acknowledged. By this Amendment, the objection to Claim 44 and the rejections of Claims 11 – 13, 22, 23, 30 and 31 have been addressed.

Accordingly, the present Application should be in proper form for allowance and issue. Reconsideration, allowance and passage to issue are respectfully requested.

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